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1. Opponents of Augustin Popa and Professor Virgil Veniamin in the National Peasant Party met in a coffee house [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] A memorandum requesting that all representative personalities should be included in the Rumanian National Committee was drafted to be sent to the King. Among the signers were Alexander Bunesco, Mihai Raut, Horatiu Comănciu, Butariu and Manuila (the brother of Sabin Manuila in the United States). Other signatories included Vintila Petala, prominent Rumanian Mason and former diplomat, and Gheorghe Raut, neither of whom has ever belonged to the National Peasant Party.
  2. Although Augustin Popa and Virgil Veniamin were sharply criticized during the meeting, no opposition to the appointment of Constantin Visoianu as president of the Rumanian National Committee was expressed. In general there was little discussion of the National Committee. Opponents of that organization are playing a "waiting game."

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